By: Slaton H.R. No. 247

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The House Rules of Procedure adopted at the
- 2 beginning of the 87th Legislative Session included Rule 16 Special
- 3 Rule to bring the House of Representatives to standards that were
- 4 allegedly necessary for combating the Covid-19 virus; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Governor Greg Abbott announced the re-opening of
- 6 Texas on March 2nd, 2021, removing his Executive Orders, declaring
- 7 Texas to be "100% open" on March 10th, 2021; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Rule 16 Sec. 4 of the Texas House Rules of Procedure
- 9 for the 87th Legislature allow for the deactivation of the Rule 16
- 10 Special Rule that were activated upon the adoption of the permanent
- 11 rules of procedure by resolution; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In accordance with Governor Greg Abbott's Executive
- 13 Order for Texas to be 100% open, the Texas House should also be open
- 14 100%; and
- WHEREAS, Due to the removal of the Executive Orders, the 87th
- 16 Legislature shall deactivate the Rule 16 Special Rule that was
- 17 initially activated in its entirety upon the adoption of the
- 18 permanent rules of procedure of the 87th Legislature; now,
- 19 therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby open the Texas House of Representatives and
- 22 deactivate all sections of Rule 16 Special Rule that was activated
- 23 initially in its entirety upon the adoption of the permanent rules
- 24 of procedure of the House of Representatives 87th Legislature,

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1 effective March 10th, 2021.